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(54) **COMPOSITION FOR PRODUCING TAGATOSE FROM FRUCTOSE-6-PHOSPHATE AND METHOD OF PRODUCING TAGATOSE FROM FRUCTOSE-6-PHOSPHATE USING THE SAME**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The present disclosure relates to a composition for producing tagatose, comprising fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase, and a method of producing tagatose using the same.

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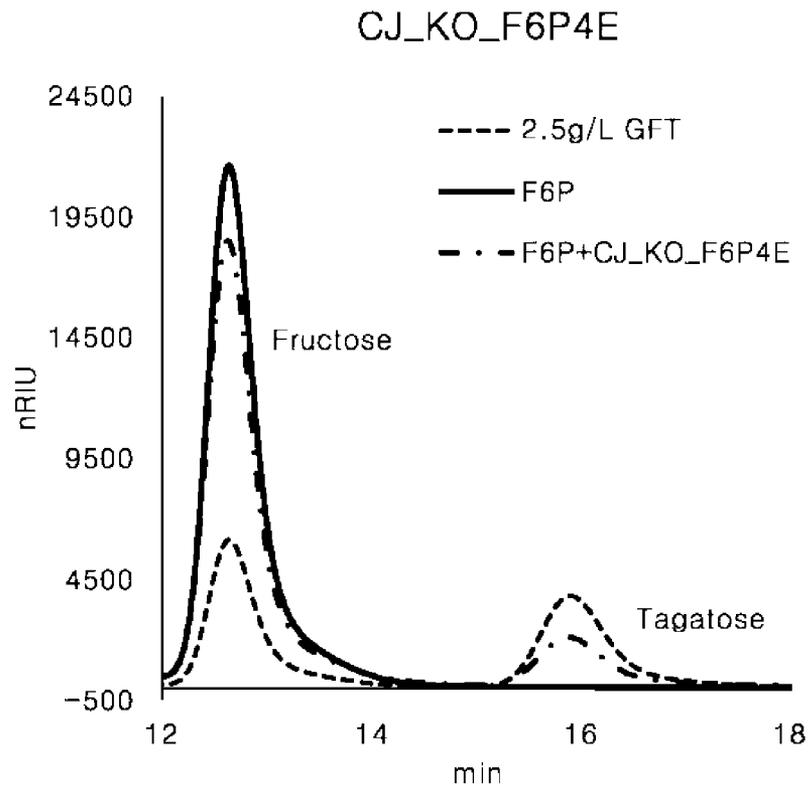
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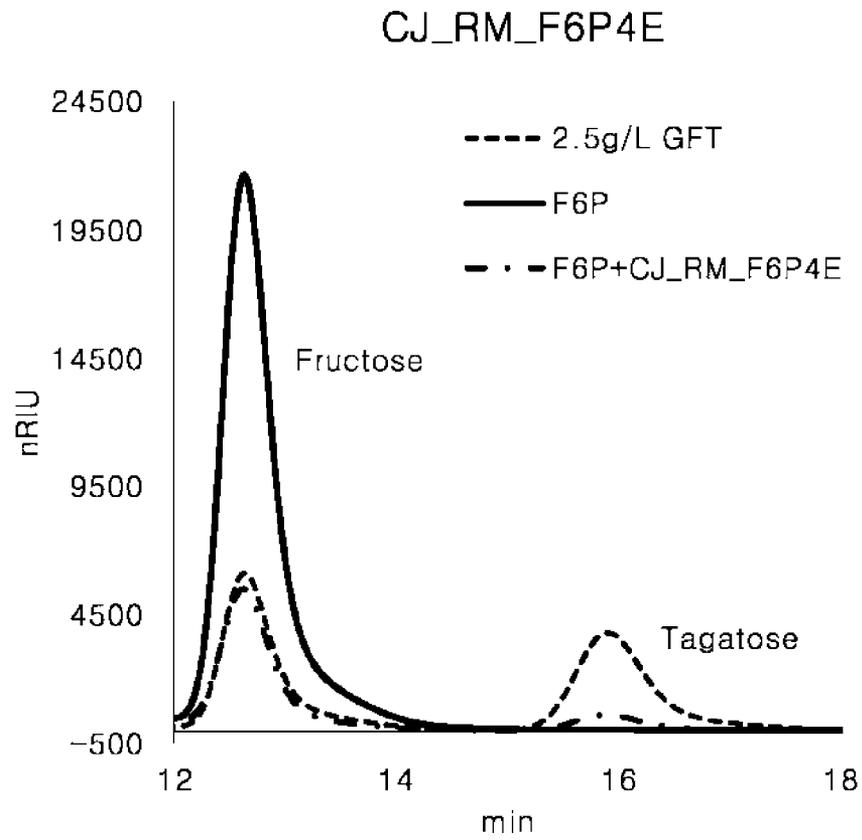
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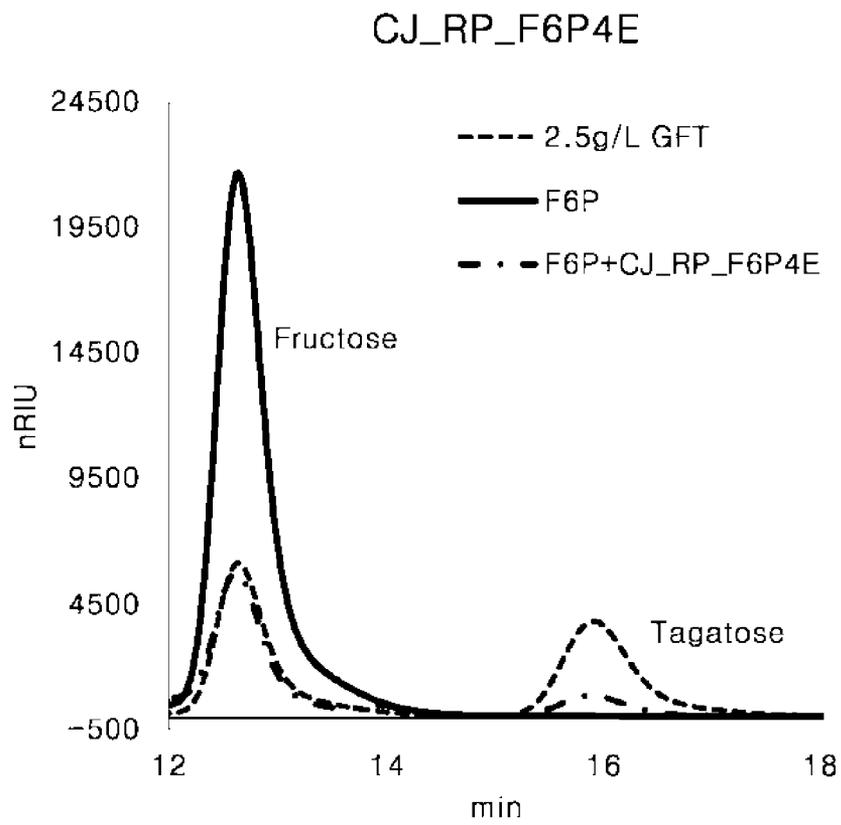
[FIG. 1a]



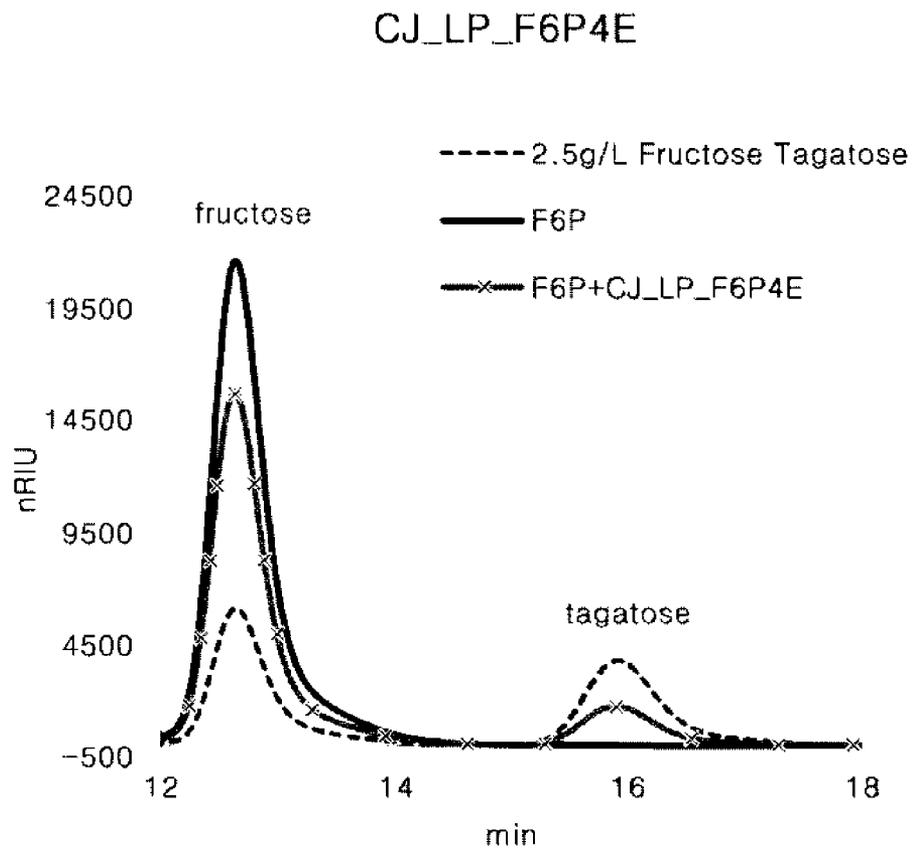
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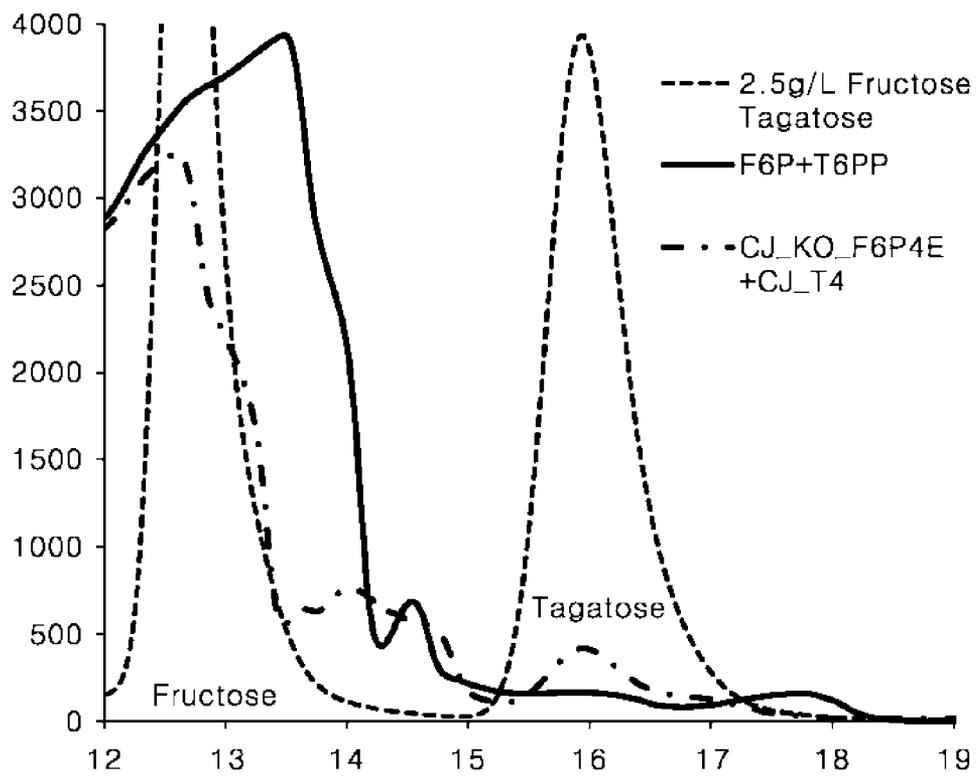
[FIG. 1c]



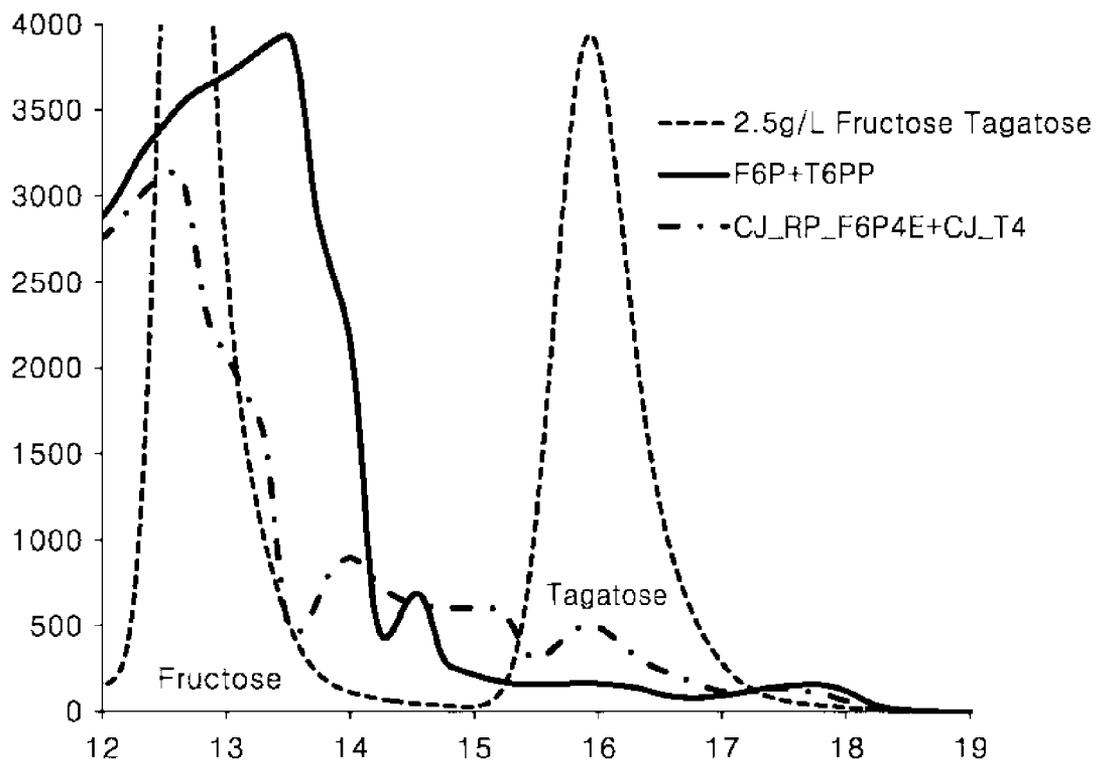
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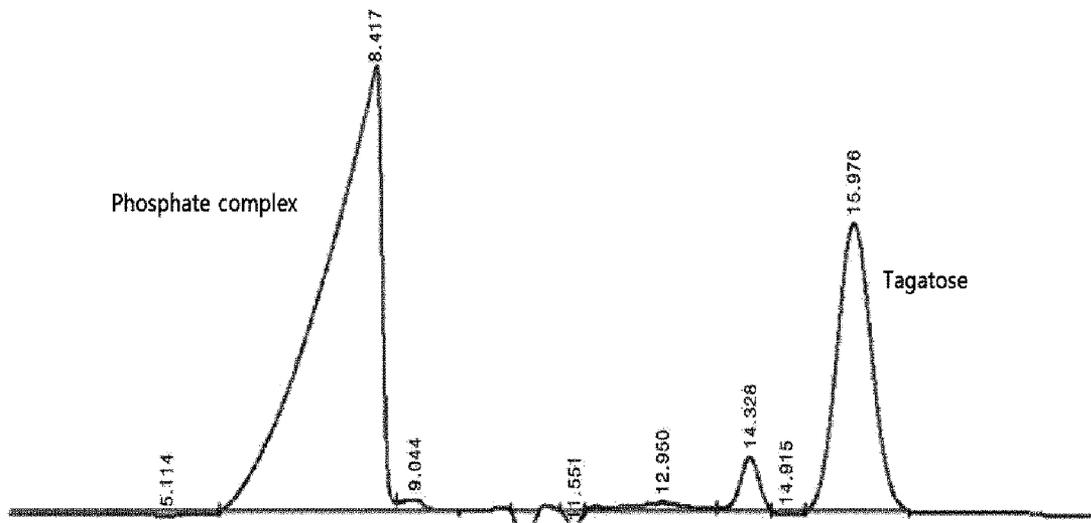
[FIG. 2a]



[FIG. 2b]



[FIG. 3]

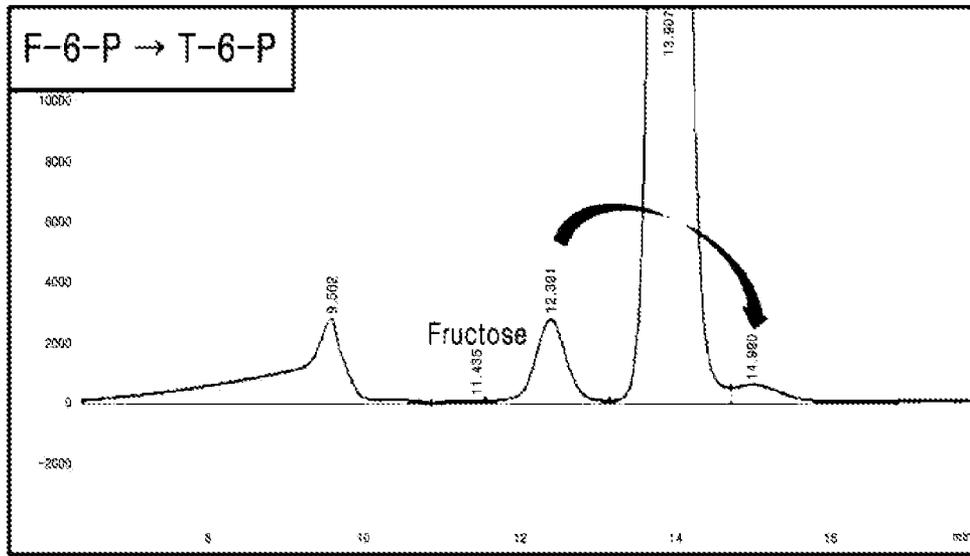


[FIG. 4]

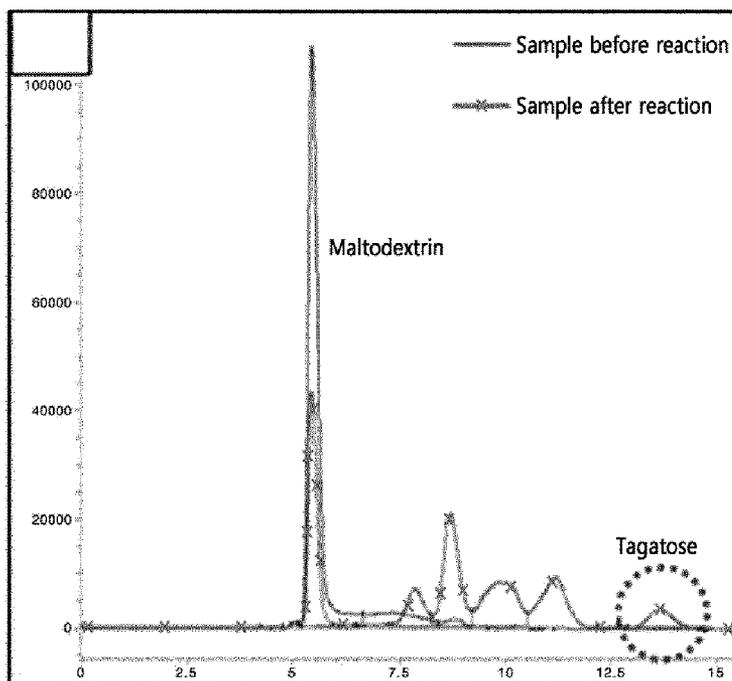


M: Protein size ladder(10~250kDa)
CT1: *E. coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct1
TN1: *E. coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn1
CT2: *E. coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct2
TD1: *E. coli* BL21(DE3)/pBT7-C-His-CJ_ld1
AN1: *E. coli* BL21(DE3)/pBT7-C-His-an1
T4: *E. coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_t4

[FIG. 5]



[FIG. 6]



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**COMPOSITION FOR PRODUCING
TAGATOSE FROM
FRUCTOSE-6-PHOSPHATE AND METHOD
OF PRODUCING TAGATOSE FROM
FRUCTOSE-6-PHOSPHATE USING THE
SAME**

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED
APPLICATIONS

This application is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/KR2018/003748, filed Mar. 30, 2018, which claims the benefit of Korean Patent Application No. 10-2017-0042165, filed Mar. 31, 2017, the contents of which are incorporated by reference in their entireties.

BACKGROUND or THE INVENTION

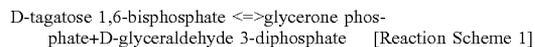
1. Field of the Invention

The present disclosure relates to a composition for producing tagatose-6-phosphate, comprising fructose-6-phosphate 4-epimerase, and a method of producing tagatose using the same.

2. Description of the Related Art

Conventional methods of producing tagatose include a chemical method (a catalytic reaction) and a biological method (an isomerization enzyme reaction) of using galactose as a main raw material (see Korean Patent No. 10-0964091). However, the price of lactose which is a basic raw material of galactose used as a main raw material in the known production methods is unstable, depending on produced amounts, supply, and demand of raw milk and lactose in global markets, etc. Thus, there is a limitation in the stable supply thereof. To overcome the problem of the conventional methods of producing tagatose, methods of producing tagatose from D-fructose having a low price and steady supply using hexuronate C4-epimerase have been reported (2011. Appl Biochem Biotechnol. 163:444-451; Korean Patent No. 10-1550796). However, there is a limitation in that the isomerization has a low conversion rate.

Tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase (EC 4.1.2.40) is known to produce glycerone phosphate and D-glyceraldehyde 3-diphosphate from D-tagatose 1,6-bisphosphate as a substrate, as in the following [Reaction Scheme 1], and to participate in a galactose metabolism. However, there have been no studies regarding whether the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase has activity to convert fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate.



Under this background, the present inventors have conducted extensive studies to develop an enzyme which may be used in the production of tagatose, and as a result, they found that tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase (EC 4.1.2.40) as the ability to convert glucose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate, thereby completing the present disclosure.

Accordingly, glucose or starch may be used as a raw material to sequentially produce glucose-1-phosphate and glucose-6-phosphate, and then tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase of the present disclosure may be used to convert glucose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate, and tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase which performs an irrevers-

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ible reaction pathway may be used to produce tagatose while remarkably increasing a conversion rate of glucose or starch into tagatose.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

An object of the present disclosure is to provide a composition useful for the production of tagatose-6-phosphate, comprising tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, a microorganism expressing the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, or a culture of the microorganism.

Another object of the present disclosure is to provide a composition useful for the production of tagatose, comprising tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, a microorganism expressing the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, or a culture of the microorganism; and tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, the microorganism expressing the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, or a culture of the microorganism.

Another object of the present disclosure is to provide a method of producing tagatose, comprising converting fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate by contacting fructose-6-phosphate with tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, a microorganism expressing the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, or a culture of the microorganism, wherein the method may further comprise converting tagatose-6-phosphate into tagatose by contacting tagatose-6-phosphate with tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, a microorganism expressing the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, or a culture of the microorganism.

Other objects and advantages of the present disclosure will be described in more detail with reference to the following description along with the accompanying claims and drawings. Since contents that are not described in the present specification may be sufficiently recognized and inferred by those skilled in the art or similar art, a description thereof will be omitted.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIGS. 1A to 1D are results of HPLC chromatography showing that tagatose-bisphosphate aldolases (CJ_KO_F6P4E, CJ_RM_F6P4E, CJ_RP_6P4E, and CJ_LP_F6P4E) of one embodiment of the present disclosure have fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase activity;

FIGS. 2A and 2B are results of HPLC chromatography showing that treatment of fructose-6-phosphate with tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase (CJ_KO_F6P4E and CJ_RP_F6P4E) and tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase (CJ_T4) converts fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose in one embodiment of the present disclosure;

FIG. 3 is a result of HPLC chromatography showing that T4 which is an enzyme of one embodiment of the present disclosure has tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase activity;

FIG. 4 is a result of protein electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE) to analyze molecular weights of enzymes used in the production pathways of tagatose from starch, sucrose, or glucose in one embodiment of the present disclosure, wherein M represents a protein size ladder (size marker, Bio-FAD, USA);

FIG. 5 is a result of HPLC chromatography showing that TD1(CJ_TD1_F6P4E) which is an enzyme of one embodiment of the present disclosure has fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase activity; and

FIG. 6 is a result of HPLC chromatography showing that when all of the enzymes involved in the production pathway of tagatose from maltodextrin were added at the same time,

tagatose was produced by complex enzyme reactions, wherein TD1 (CJ_TD1_F6P4E) was used as tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Hereinafter, the present disclosure will be described in detail as follows. Meanwhile, each description and embodiment disclosed in this disclosure may be applied to other descriptions and embodiments to common things. Further, all combinations of various elements disclosed in this disclosure fall within the scope of the present disclosure. Further, the scope of the present disclosure is not limited by the specific description described below.

To achieve one object of the present disclosure, an aspect of the present disclosure provides a composition for producing tagatose-6-phosphate, comprising tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, a microorganism expressing the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, or a culture of the microorganism.

The tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase (EC 4.1.2.40) is known to produce glycero phosphate and D-glyceraldehyde 3-diphosphate from D-tagatose 1,6-bisphosphate as a substrate, and to participate in a galactose metabolism. For example, the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase may be any one without limitation as long as it is able to produce tagatose-6-phosphate from fructose-6-phosphate as a substrate.

Specifically, the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase may be a polypeptide consisting of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9, or comprise a polypeptide having at least 80%, 90%, 95%, 97%, or 99% homology with the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9. It is also apparent that a polypeptide having the homology and an amino acid sequence exhibiting the efficacy (i.e., fructose-6-phosphate C4-epimerization activity to convert fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate by epimerizing fructose-6-phosphate at C4 position of fructose) corresponding to the protein consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9 is also included in the scope of the present disclosure, although it has an amino acid sequence, of which a partial sequence is deleted, modified, substituted, or added. Further, a probe which may be produced from the known nucleotide sequence, for example, a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide which is hybridizable with a complementary sequence to all or a part of a nucleotide sequence encoding the polypeptide under stringent conditions may be also included without limitation, as long as it has the fructose-6-phosphate C4-epimerization activity. Therefore, the composition for producing tagatose-6-phosphate may further comprise fructose-6-phosphate. Further, the composition may comprise one or more of tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase consisting of the amino acid sequence of 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9.

The present disclosure revealed that the 'tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase' exhibits the fructose-6-phosphate 4-epimerization activity to convert fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate by epimerizing fructose-6-phosphate at C4 position. In the present disclosure, therefore, the 'tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase' may be used interchangeably with 'fructose-6-phosphate C4 epimerase'.

As used herein, the term "stringent conditions" means conditions under which specific hybridization between polynucleotides is allowed. These conditions depend on the length of the polynucleotide and the degree of complementation, and variables are well known in the art, and specifically described in a literature (e.g., J. Sambrook et al., *infra*). The stringent conditions may include, for example, condi-

tions under which genes having high homology, 80% or higher homology, 90% or higher homology, 95% or higher homology, 97% or higher homology, or 99% or higher homology, are hybridized with each other and genes having homology lower than the above homology are not hybridized with each other, or ordinary washing conditions of Southern hybridization, i.e., washing once, specifically, twice or three times at a salt concentration and a temperature corresponding to 60° C., 1×SSC, 0.1% SDS, specifically, 60° C., 0.1×SSC, 0.1% SDS, and more specifically 68° C., 0.1×SSC, 0.1% SDS. The probe used in the hybridization may be a part of a complementary sequence of the nucleotide sequence. Such a probe may be produced by PCR using oligonucleotides produced based on the known sequence as primers and a DNA fragment containing these nucleotide sequences as a template. Further, those skilled in the art may adjust the temperature and the salt concentration of the washing solution according to factors such as the length of the probe, if necessary.

As used herein, the term "homology" refers to a percentage of identity between two polypeptide moieties. Sequence correspondence from one moiety to another may be determined by a known technique in the art. For example, the homology may be determined by directly aligning the sequence information of two polypeptide molecules, e.g., parameters such as score, identity, and similarity, etc., using a computer program that is readily available and capable of aligning sequence information (e.g., BLAST 2.0). Additionally, the homology between polynucleotides may be determined by hybridizing the polynucleotides under a condition for forming a stable double-strand in the homologous regions followed by digesting the hybridized strand by a single-strand-specific nuclease to determine the size of digested fragments.

In a specific embodiment, the fructose-6-phosphate-1-epimerase of the present disclosure may be an enzyme derived from a thermophilic microorganism or a variant thereof, for example, an enzyme derived from *Thermanaerothrix* sp. or a variant thereof, an enzyme derived from *Kosmotoga* sp. or a variant thereof, an enzyme derived from *Rhodothermus* sp. or a variant thereof, an enzyme derived from *Limnochorda* sp. or a variant thereof, and specifically, an enzyme derived from *Thermanaerothrix daxensis*, *Kosmotoga olearia*, *Rhodothermus marinus*, *Rhodothermus profundus*, or *Limnochorda pilosa*, but is not limited thereto.

The fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure or a variant thereof is characterized by converting D-fructose-6-phosphate into D-tagatose-6-phosphate by epimerizing D-fructose-6-phosphate at C4 position. The fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure may be an enzyme which is known to have tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase activity, and the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase produces glycero phosphate and D-glyceraldehyde 3-diphosphate from D-tagatose 1,6-bisphosphate as a substrate, and participates in a galactose metabolism. The present disclosure newly revealed that the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase has the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase activity. Accordingly, one embodiment of the present disclosure relates to novel use of the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase including using the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase as the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase in the production of tagatose-6-phosphate from fructose-6-phosphate. Further, another embodiment of the present disclosure relates to a method of producing tagatose-6-phosphate from fructose-6-phosphate using the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase as the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase.

In one embodiment, the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure may be an enzyme having high heat resistance. Specifically, the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure may exhibit 50% to 100%, 60% to 100%, 70% to 100%, or 75% to 100% of its maximum activity at 50° C. to 70° C. More specifically, the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure may exhibit 80% to 100% or 85% to 100% of its maximum activity at 55° C. to 65° C., 60° C. to 70° C., 55° C., 60° C., or 70° C.

Furthermore, the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9 may be, but is not limited to, encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, 8, or 10, respectively.

The fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure or a variant thereof may be obtained by transforming a microorganism such as *Escherichia coli* with DNA expressing the enzyme of the present disclosure or the variant thereof, e.g., SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, 8, or 10, culturing the microorganism to obtain a culture, disrupting the culture, and then performing purification using a column, etc. The microorganism for transformation may include *Corynebacterium glutamicum*, *Aspergillus oryzae*, or *Bacillus subtilis*, in addition to *Escherichia coli*. In a specific embodiment, the transformed microorganism may be *Escherichia coli* BL21 (DE3)/CJ_KO_F6P4E, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_RM_F6P4E, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_RP_F6P4E, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_LP_F6P4E, or *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pBT7-C-His-CJ_td1. These microorganisms were deposited at the Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms which is an International Depository Authority under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty with Accession No. KCCM1.1999P (*Escherichia coli* BL21 (DE3)/CJ_KO_F6P4E) (date of deposit: Mar. 24, 2017), KCCM12096P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_RM_F6P4E) (date of deposit: Aug. 11, 2017), KCCM12097P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_RP_F6P4E) (date of deposit: Aug. 11, 2017), KCCM12095P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_LP_F6P4E) (date of deposit: Aug. 11, 2017), and KCCM11995P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pBT7-C-His-CJ_td1) (date of deposit: Mar. 20, 2017), respectively.

The fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase used in the present disclosure may be provided by using a nucleic acid encoding the same.

As used herein, the term “nucleic acid” means that it encompasses DNA or RNA molecules, wherein nucleotides which are basic constituent units in the nucleic acid may include not only natural nucleotides but also analogues with modification of sugar or base (see: Scheit, *Nucleotide Analogs*, John Wiley, New York (1980); Uhlman and Peyman, *Chemical Reviews*, 90:543-584(1990)).

The nucleic acid of the present disclosure may be a nucleic acid encoding the polypeptide consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9 of the present disclosure or a nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide having at least 80%, 90%, 95%, 97%, or 99% homology with the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure and having the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase activity. For example, the nucleic acid encoding the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 may be a nucleic acid having at least 80%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99% or 100% homology with the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2. Further, the nucleic acid encoding the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3, 5, 7, or 9 may be a nucleic acid having at least 80%, 90%, 95%,

97%, 99% or 100% homology with the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4, 6, 8, or 10 corresponding thereto, respectively. It is also apparent that the nucleic acid of the present disclosure may include a nucleic acid which is translated into the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure due to codon degeneracy or a nucleic acid which hybridizes with a nucleic acid consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, 8, or 10 under stringent conditions and encodes the polypeptide having the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase activity of the present disclosure.

The microorganism expressing the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase which may be used in the present disclosure may be a microorganism comprising a recombinant vector comprising the nucleic acid.

The vector may be operably linked to the nucleic acid of the present disclosure. As used herein, the term “operably linked” means that a nucleotide expression regulatory sequence and a nucleotide sequence encoding a targeted protein are operably linked to each other to perform the general functions, thereby affecting expression of the encoding nucleotide sequence. The operable linkage to the vector may be produced using a genetic recombination technology known in the art, and the site-specific DNA cleavage and linkage may be produced using restriction enzymes and ligases known in the art.

As used herein, the term “vector” refers to any mediator for cloning and/or transferring of bases into an organism, such as a host cell. The vector may be a replicon that is able to bring the replication of combined fragments in which different DNA fragments are combined. Herein, the term “replicon” refers to any genetic unit (e.g., plasmid, phage, cosmid, chromosome, virus) which functions as a self-unit of DNA replication in vivo, i.e., which is able to be replicated by self-regulation. As used herein, the term “vector” may comprise viral and non-viral mediators for introducing the bases into the organism, e.g., a host cell, in vitro, ex vivo, or in vivo, and may also comprise a minicircular DNA, a transposon such as Sleeping Beauty (Izsvak et al. *J. Mol. Biol.* 302:93-102 (2000)), or an artificial chromosome. Examples of the vector commonly used may include natural or recombinant plasmids, cosmids, viruses, and bacteriophages. For example, as a phage vector or cosmid vector, pWE15, M13, MBL3, MBL4, IXII, ASHII, APII, t10, t11, Charon4A, and Charon21A, etc., may be used; and as a plasmid vector, those based on pBR, pUC, pBluescriptII, pCEM, pTZ, pCL, and pET, etc., may be used. The vectors that may be used in the present disclosure are not particularly limited, but any known expression vector may be used. Further, the vector may be a recombinant vector characterized by further comprising various antibiotic resistance genes. As used herein, the term “antibiotic resistance gene” refers to a gene having resistance against an antibiotic, and a cell having this gene survives in an environment treated with the corresponding antibiotic. Therefore, the antibiotic resistance gene is used as a selectable marker during production of a large amount of plasmids in *Escherichia coli*. The antibiotic resistance gene in the present disclosure is not a factor that greatly influences expression efficiency according to optimal combinations of vectors which is a key technology of the present disclosure, and thus an antibiotic resistance gene that is generally used as a selectable marker may be used without limitation. Specific examples may include a resistance gene against ampicillin, tetracycline, kanamycin, chloramphenicol, streptomycin, or neomycin, etc.

The microorganism expressing the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase which may be used in the present disclosure may be obtained by a method of introducing the vector comprising the nucleic acid encoding the enzyme into a host cell, and a method of transforming the vector may be any method as long as it is able to introduce the nucleic acid into the cell. An appropriate standard technique known in the art may be selected and performed. Electroporation, calcium phosphate co-precipitation, retroviral infection, microinjection, a DEAE-dextran method, a cationic liposome method, and a heat shock method may be included, but is not limited thereto.

As long as the transformed gene may be expressed in the host cell, it may be inserted into the chromosome of the host cell, or it may exist extrachromosomally. Further, the gene comprises DNA and RNA as a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide, and any form may be used without limitation, as long as it may be introduced into the host cell and expressed therein. For example, the gene may be introduced into the host cell in the form of an expression cassette, which is a polynucleotide construct comprising all elements required for its autonomous expression. Commonly, the expression cassette may comprise a promoter operably linked to the gene, transcriptional termination signals, ribosome binding sites, and translation termination signals. The expression cassette may be in the form of a self-replicable expression vector. In addition, the gene as it is or in the form of a polynucleotide construct may be introduced into the host cell and operably linked to sequences required for expression in the host cell.

The microorganism of the present disclosure may include either a prokaryotic microorganism or a eukaryotic microorganism, as long as it is a microorganism capable of producing the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure by comprising the nucleic acid of the present disclosure or the recombinant vector of the present disclosure. For example, the microorganism may include microorganism strains belonging to the genus *Escherichia*, the genus *Erwinia*, the genus *Serratia*, the genus *Providencia*, the genus *Corynebacterium*, and the genus *Brevibacterium*, and specifically, it may be *Escherichia. coli* or *Corynebacterium glutamicum*, but is not limited thereto. Specific examples of the microorganism may include *Escherichia. coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_KO_F6P4E, *Escherichia. Coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_RM_F6P4E, *Escherichia. coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_RP_F6P4E, *Escherichia. coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_LP_F6P4E, *Escherichia. coli* BL21(DE3)/pBT7-C-His-CJ_td1, etc.

The microorganism of the present disclosure may include any microorganism capable of expressing the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure or related enzymes according to various known methods, in addition to introduction of the nucleic acid or the vector.

The culture of the microorganism of the present disclosure may be produced by culturing, in a medium, the microorganism capable of expressing the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase of the present disclosure or related enzymes.

As used herein, the term "culturing" means that the microorganism is allowed to grow under appropriately controlled environmental conditions. The culturing process of the present disclosure may be carried out according to an appropriate medium and culture conditions known in the art. The culturing process may be easily adjusted by those skilled in the art according to the strain to be selected. The step of culturing the microorganism may be, but is not particularly limited to, carried out by a batch process, a continuous process, or a fed batch process etc. With regard

to the culture conditions, a proper pH (e.g., pH 5 to 9, specifically pH 7 to 9) may be adjusted using a basic compound (e.g., sodium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, or ammonia) or an acidic compound (e.g., phosphoric acid or sulfuric acid), but is not particularly limited thereto. Additionally, an antifoaming agent such as fatty acid polyglycol ester may be added during the culturing process to prevent foam generation. Additionally, oxygen or an oxygen-containing gas may be injected into the culture in order to maintain an aerobic state of the culture; or nitrogen, hydrogen, or carbon dioxide gas may be injected without the injection of a gas in order to maintain an anaerobic or microaerobic state of the culture. The culture temperature may be maintained from 25° C. to 40° C., and specifically, from 30° C. to 37° C., but is not limited thereto. The culturing may be continued until the desired amount of useful materials is obtained, and specifically for about 0.5 hours to about 60 hours, but is not limited thereto. Furthermore, the culture medium to be used may comprise, as carbon sources, sugars and carbohydrates (e.g., glucose, sucrose, lactose, fructose, maltose, molasses, starch, and cellulose), oils and fats (e.g., soybean oil, sunflower oil, peanut oil, and coconut oil), fatty acids (e.g., palmitic acid, stearic acid, and linoleic acid), alcohols (e.g., glycerol and ethanol), and organic acids (e.g., acetic acid) etc. These substances may be used individually or in a mixture, but are not limited thereto. Nitrogen sources may include nitrogen-containing organic compounds (e.g., peptone, yeast extract, meat extract, malt extract, corn steep liquor, soybean meal, and urea) or inorganic compounds (e.g., ammonium sulfate, ammonium chloride, ammonium phosphate, ammonium carbonate, and ammonium nitrate) etc. These nitrogen sources may also be used individually or in a mixture, but are not limited thereto. Phosphorus sources may include potassium dihydrogen phosphate, dipotassium hydrogen phosphate, or the corresponding sodium-containing salts etc. These nitrogen sources may also be used individually or in a mixture, but are not limited thereto. The culture medium may comprise essential growth stimulators, such as metal salts (e.g., magnesium sulfate or iron sulfate), amino acids, and vitamins.

Another aspect of the present disclosure provides a composition for producing tagatose, comprising tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, a microorganism expressing the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, or a culture of the microorganism; and tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, the microorganism expressing the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, or a culture of the microorganism.

The description of the composition for producing tagatose-6-phosphate may be also applied to the composition for producing tagatose. The tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase of the present disclosure may be any protein without limitation, as long as it has activity to convert tagatose-6-phosphate into tagatose by eliminating a phosphate group of the tagatose-6-phosphate. The tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase of the present disclosure may be an enzyme derived from a heat-resistant microorganism, for example, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga* sp. or a variant thereof, specifically, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga maritima* or a variant thereof.

According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase of the present disclosure may be a protein which consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11, a sequence having a genetic homology of 70%, 75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99% or 100% thereto, or a genetic homology within the range determined by any two values of the above values. Accord-

ing to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11 of the present disclosure may be encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 12.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may further comprise glucose-6-phosphate isomerase, a microorganism expressing the glucose-6-phosphate isomerase, or a culture of the microorganism. In the presence of the enzyme, glucose-6-phosphate may be isomerized to produce fructose-6-phosphate. The glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase of the present disclosure may include any protein without limitation, as long as it has activity to isomerize glucose-6-phosphate into fructose-6-phosphate. The glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase of the present disclosure may be an enzyme derived from a heat-resistant microorganism, for example, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga* sp. or a variant thereof, specifically, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga maritima* or a variant thereof. According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase of the present disclosure may be a protein which consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 13, a sequence having a genetic homology of 70%, 75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99%, or 100% thereto, or a homology within the range determined by any two values of the above values. According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 13 of the present disclosure may be encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 14.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may further comprise phosphoglucomutase, a microorganism expressing the phosphoglucomutase, or a culture of the microorganism. The enzyme catalyzes a reversible reaction of converting glucose-1-phosphate into glucose-6-phosphate or converting glucose-6-phosphate into glucose-1-phosphate. The phosphoglucomutase of the present disclosure may include any protein without limitation, as long as it has activity to convert glucose-1-phosphate into glucose-6-phosphate or to convert glucose-6-phosphate into glucose-1-phosphate. The phosphoglucomutase of the present disclosure may be an enzyme derived from a heat-resistant microorganism, for example, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga* sp. or a variant thereof, specifically, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga neapolitana* or a variant thereof. According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the phosphoglucomutase of the present disclosure may be a protein which consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 15, a sequence having a genetic homology of 70%, 75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99%, or 100% thereto, or within the range determined by any two values of the above values. According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the phosphoglucomutase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 15 of the present disclosure may be encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 16.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may further comprise glucokinase, a microorganism expressing the glucokinase, or a culture of the microorganism. The glucokinase of the present disclosure may include any protein without limitation, as long as it has activity to phosphorylate glucose. The glucokinase of the present disclosure may be an enzyme derived from a heat-resistant microorganism, for example, an enzyme derived from *Deinococcus* sp. or *Anaerolinea* sp., or a variant thereof, specifically, an enzyme derived from *Deinococcus geothermalis* or *Anaerolinea thermophila*, or a variant thereof. The glucokinase of the present disclosure may

include any protein without limitation, as long as it has activity to convert glucose into glucose-6-phosphate. Specifically, the glucokinase of the present disclosure may be a phosphate-dependent glucokinase. According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the glucokinase of the present disclosure may be a protein which consists of an amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO: 17 or 19, a sequence having a genetic homology of 70%, 75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99%, or 100% thereto, or a genetic homology within the range determined by any two values of the above values. According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the glucokinase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 17 of the present disclosure may be encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 18, and the glucokinase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 19 of the present disclosure may be encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 20.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may further comprise α -glucan phosphorylase, starch phosphorylase, maltodextrin phosphorylase, or sucrose phosphorylase, a microorganism expressing the same, or a culture of the microorganism. The phosphorylase may include any protein without limitation, as long as it has activity to convert starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose into glucose-1-phosphate. The phosphorylase may be an enzyme derived from a heat-resistant microorganism, for example, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga* sp. or a variant thereof, specifically, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga neapolitana* or a variant thereof. The phosphorylase of the present disclosure may be a protein which consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 21, a sequence having a genetic homology of 70%, 75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99%, or 100% thereto, or a genetic homology within the range determined by any two values of the above values. According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the phosphorylase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 21 of the present disclosure may be encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 22.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may further comprise n-amylase, pullulanase, glucoamylase, sucrase, or isoamylase; a microorganism expressing the amylase, pullulanase, glucoamylase, sucrase, or isoamylase; or a culture of the microorganism expressing the amylase, pullulanase, glucoamylase, sucrase, or isoamylase.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may comprise two or more enzymes of the above-described enzymes which may be used in the production of tagatose or transformants thereof individually, or a transformant transformed with nucleotides encoding the two or more enzymes.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may further comprise 4- α -glucanotransferase, a microorganism expressing the 4- α -glucanotransferase, or a culture of the microorganism expressing the 4- α -glucanotransferase. The 4- α -glucanotransferase of the present disclosure may include any protein without limitation, as long as it has activity to convert glucose into starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose. The 4- α -glucanotransferase of the present disclosure may be an enzyme derived from a heat-resistant microorganism, for example, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga* sp. or a variant thereof, specifically, an enzyme derived from *Thermotoga maritima* or a variant thereof. According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the 4- α -glucanotransferase of the present disclosure may be a protein which consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 23, a sequence having a genetic homology of 70%,

75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 95%, 97%, 99%, or 100% thereto, or a genetic homology within the range determined by any two values of the above values. According to one embodiment of the present disclosure, the 4- α -glucanotransferase consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 23 of the present disclosure may be encoded by a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 24.

Examples of the microorganisms which may be used in the above-described embodiments may include *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct1, *Escherichia coli* BL21 (DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct2, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn1, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn2, and *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_t4, etc. The recombinant microorganisms were deposited at Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms on Mar. 20, 2017 with Accession Nos. KCCM11990P (*Escherichia coli* BL21 (DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct1), KCCM11991P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct2), KCCM11992P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn1), KCCM11993P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn2), KCCM11994P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_t4), respectively.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may further comprise a substance, a component, or a composition corresponding to a substrate of each of the above-described enzymes.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may further comprise any suitable excipient commonly used in the corresponding composition for producing tagatose. The excipient may include, for example, a preservative, a wetting agent, a dispersing agent, a suspending agent, a buffer, a stabilizing agent, or an isotonic agent, etc., but is not limited thereto.

The composition for producing tagatose of the present disclosure may further comprise a metal. In one embodiment, the metal of the present disclosure may be a metal containing a divalent cation. Specifically, the metal of the present disclosure may be nickel, cobalt, aluminum, magnesium (Mg), or manganese (Mn). More specifically, the metal of the present disclosure may be a metal ion or a metal salt, and much more specifically, the metal salt may be NiSO₄, MgSO₄, MgCl₂, NiCl₂, CoCl₂, COSO₄, MnCl₂, or MnSO₄.

Another aspect of the present disclosure relates to a method of producing tagatose-6-phosphate, comprising converting fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate by contacting fructose-6-phosphate with tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, the microorganism expressing the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, or the culture of the microorganism.

The description of the composition for producing tagatose-6-phosphate may be also applied to the composition for producing tagatose.

Another aspect of the present disclosure relates to a method of producing tagatose, comprising converting fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate by contacting fructose-6-phosphate with tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, the microorganism expressing the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, or the culture of the microorganism. The method of producing tagatose may further comprise converting tagatose-6-phosphate into tagatose by contacting tagatose-6-phosphate with tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, the microorganism expressing the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, or the culture of the microorganism.

The method of the present disclosure may further comprise converting glucose-6-phosphate into fructose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose-6-phosphate with the glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the glucose-6-phosphate-

isomerase, or the culture of the microorganism expressing the glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase.

The method of the present disclosure may further comprise converting glucose-1-phosphate into glucose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose-1-phosphate with the phosphoglucomutase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the phosphoglucomutase, or the culture of the microorganism expressing the phosphoglucomutase.

The method of the present disclosure may further comprise converting glucose into glucose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose with the glucokinase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the glucokinase, or the culture of the microorganism expressing the glucokinase.

The method of the present disclosure may further comprise converting starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose into glucose-1-phosphate by contacting starch, maltodextrin, sucrose, or a combination thereof with the α -glucan phosphorylase, starch phosphorylase, maltodextrin phosphorylase, or sucrose phosphorylase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the phosphorylase, or the culture of the microorganism expressing the phosphorylase.

The method of the present disclosure may further comprise converting starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose into glucose by contacting starch, maltodextrin, sucrose, or a combination thereof with the α -amylase, pullulanase, glucoamylase, sucrase, or isoamylase; the microorganism expressing the α -amylase, pullulanase, glucoamylase, sucrase, or isoamylase; or the culture of the microorganism expressing the α -amylase, pullulanase, glucoamylase, sucrase, or isoamylase.

The method of the present disclosure may further comprise converting glucose into starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose by contacting glucose with the 4- α -glucanotransferase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the 4- α -glucanotransferase, or the culture of the microorganism expressing the 4- α -glucanotransferase.

Each contacting in the method of the present disclosure may be performed under conditions of pH 5.0 to pH 9.0, 30° C. to 80° C., and/or for 0.5 hours to 48 hours. Specifically, the contacting of the present disclosure may be performed under a condition of pH 6.0 to pH 9.0 or pH 7.0 to pH 9.0. Further, the contacting of the present disclosure may be performed under a temperature condition of 35° C. to 80° C., 40° C. to 80° C., 45° C. to 80° C., 50° C., to 80° C., 55° C. to 80%, 60° C. to 80° C., 30° C. to 70° C., 35° C. to 70° C., 40° C. to 70° C., 45° C. to 70° C., 50° C. to 70° C., 55° C. to 70° C., 60° C., to 70° C., 30° C. to 65° C., 35° C. to 65° C., 40° C. to 65° C., 45° C. to 65° C., 50° C. to 65° C., 55° C. to 65° C., 30° C. to 60° C., 35° C. to 60° C., 40° C. to 60° C., 45° C. to 60° C., 50° C. to 60° C. or 55° C. to 60° C. Furthermore, the contacting of the present disclosure may be performed for 0.5 hours to 36 hours, 0.5 hours to 24 hours, 0.5 hours to 12 hours, 0.5 hours to 6 hours, 1 hour to 36 hours, 1 hour to 24 hours, 1 hour to 12 hours, 1 hour to 6 hours, 3 hours to 36 hours, 3 hours to 24 hours, 3 hours to 12 hours, 3 hours to 6 hours, 12 hours to 36 hours, or 18 hours to 30 hours.

In one embodiment, the contacting of the present disclosure may be performed in the presence of a metal, a metal ion, or a metal salt.

Another aspect of the present disclosure relates to a method of producing tagatose, comprising contacting the composition for producing tagatose described herein with starch, maltodextrin, sucrose, or a combination thereof; and phosphate.

In a specific embodiment of the present disclosure, a method of producing tagatose is provided, comprising:

converting glucose into glucose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose with the glucokinase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the glucokinase, or the culture of the microorganism,

converting glucose-6-phosphate into fructose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose-6-phosphate with the glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase, or the culture of the microorganism,

converting fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate by contacting fructose-6-phosphate with the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase, or the culture of the microorganism, and

converting tagatose-6-phosphate into tagatose by contacting tagatose-6-phosphate with the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, or the culture of the microorganism.

The conversion reactions may be performed sequentially or in situ in the same reaction system. In the method, phosphate released from tagatose-6-phosphate by phosphatase may be used as a substrate of the glucokinase to produce glucose-6-phosphate. Therefore, phosphate is not accumulated, and as a result, a high conversion rate may be obtained.

In the method, glucose may be, for example, produced by converting starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose into glucose by contacting starch, maltodextrin, sucrose, or a combination thereof with α -glucan phosphorylase, starch phosphorylase, maltodextrin phosphorylase, sucrose phosphorylase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the phosphorylase, or the culture of the microorganism expressing the phosphorylase. Therefore, the method according to a specific embodiment may further comprise converting starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose into glucose.

In another specific embodiment of the present disclosure, a method of producing tagatose is provided, comprising:

converting glucose-1-phosphate into glucose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose-1-phosphate with the phosphoglucosmutase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the phosphoglucosmutase, or the culture of the microorganism,

converting glucose-6-phosphate into fructose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose-6-phosphate with the glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase, or the culture of the microorganism,

converting fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate by contacting fructose-6-phosphate with the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase, or the culture of the microorganism, and converting tagatose-6-phosphate into tagatose by contacting tagatose-6-phosphate with the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, or the culture of the microorganism.

The conversion reactions may be performed sequentially or in situ in the same reaction system.

In the method, glucose-1-phosphate may be, for example, produced by converting starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose into glucose-1-phosphate by contacting starch, maltodextrin, sucrose, or a combination thereof with α -glucan phosphorylase, starch phosphorylase, maltodextrin phosphorylase, sucrose phosphorylase of the present disclosure, the microorganism expressing the phosphorylase, or the culture of the

microorganism expressing the phosphorylase. Therefore, the method according to a specific embodiment may further comprise converting starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose into glucose-1-phosphate. In this regard, phosphate released from tagatose-6-phosphate by phosphatase may be used as a substrate of the phosphorylase to produce glucose-1-phosphate. Therefore, phosphate is not accumulated, and as a result, a high conversion rate may be obtained.

The method may further comprise purifying the produced tagatose. The purification in the method is not particularly limited, and a method commonly used in the art to which the present disclosure pertains may be used. Non-limiting examples may include chromatography, fractional crystallization, and ion purification, etc. The purification method may be performed only by a single method or by two or more methods. For example, the tagatose product may be purified through chromatography, and separation of the sugar by the chromatography may be performed by utilizing a difference in a weak binding force between the sugar to be separated and a metal ion attached to an ion resin.

In addition, the present disclosure may further comprise performing decolorization, desalination, or both of decolorization and desalination before or after the purification step of the present disclosure. By performing the decolorization and/or desalination, it is possible to obtain a more purified tagatose product without impurities.

Hereinafter, the present disclosure will be described in more detail with reference to Examples. However, these Examples are provided for better understanding, and the disclosure is not intended to be limited by these Examples.

Example 1: Production of Recombinant Expression Vector and Transformant of Each Enzyme

To provide α -glucan phosphorylase, phosphoglucosmutase, glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase, 4- α -glucanotransferase which are heat-resistant enzymes needed in the production pathway of tagatose of the present disclosure, nucleotide sequences expected as the enzymes (the above enzymes are represented by SEQ ID NO: 22(CT1), SEQ ID NO: 16(CT2), SEQ ID NO: 14(TN1), and SEQ ID NO: 24(TN2), respectively) were selected from a nucleotide sequence of a thermophilic microorganism, *Thermotoga neapolitana* or *Thermotoga maritima*, which is registered in Genbank.

Based on the selected nucleotide sequences, forward primers (SEQ ID NO: 21: CT1-Fp, SEQ ID NO: 27: CT2-Fp, SEQ ID NO: 29: TN1-Fp, SEQ ID NO: 31: TN2-Fp) and reverse primers (SEQ ID NO: 26: CT1-Rp, SEQ ID NO: 28: CT2-Rp, SEQ ID NO: 30: TN1-Rp, SEQ ID NO: 32: TN2-Rp) were designed and synthesized, and the gene of each enzyme was amplified by PCR using the above primers and a genomic DNA of the *Thermotoga neapolitana* as a template. Each amplified gene of the enzymes was inserted into pET21a (Novagen) which is a plasmid vector for expression in *Escherichia. coli* using restriction enzymes, NdeI and XhoI or Sall, thereby producing recombinant expression vectors designated as pET21a-CJ_ct1, pET21a-CJ_ct2, pET21a-CJ_tn1, pET21a-CJ_tn2, respectively.

Each of the expression vectors was transformed into *Escherichia. coli* BL21(DE3) according to a common transformation method [see Sambrook et al. 1989], thereby producing transformants (transformed microorganisms) designated as *Escherichia. coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct1, *Escherichia. coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct2, *Escherichia. coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn1, *Escherichia. coli* BL21

(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn2, respectively. These transformants were deposited at the Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty on Mar. 20, 2017 with Accession Nos. KCCM11990P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct1), KCCM11991P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct2), KCCM11992P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn1), and KCCM11993P (*Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn2), respectively.

Example 2: Production of Recombinant Enzymes

Escherichia coli BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct1, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_ct2, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn1, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_tn2 expressing each of the enzymes produced in Example 1 were seeded in a culture tube containing 5 ml of LB liquid medium, and then seed culture was performed in a shaking incubator at 37° C. until absorbance at 600 nm reached 2.0.

Each of the cultures obtained by the seed culture was seeded in a culture flask containing an LB liquid medium, and then main culture was performed. When absorbance at 600 nm reached 2.0, 1 mM IPTG was added to induce expression and production of the recombinant enzymes. During the culture, a shaking speed was maintained at 180 rpm and a culture temperature was maintained at 37° C. Each culture was centrifuged at 8,000×g and 4° C. for 20 minutes to recover cells. The recovered cells were washed with 50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0) buffer twice and suspended in the same buffer, followed by cell disruption using a sonicator. Cell lysates were centrifuged at 13,000×g and 4° C. for 20 minutes to obtain only supernatants. Each enzyme was purified therefrom using His-tag affinity chromatography. The purified recombinant enzyme solution was dialyzed against 50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0) buffer, and used for reaction.

A molecular weight of each purified enzyme was examined by SDS-PAGE, and as a result, it was confirmed that CT1 (α -glucan phosphorylase) has a molecular weight of about 96 kDa, CT2 (phosphoglucosyltransferase) has a molecular weight of about 53 kDa, TN1 (glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase) has a molecular weight of about 51 kDa.

Example 3: Examination of Fructose-6-Phosphate-4-Epimerase Activity of Tagatose-Bisphosphate Aldolase

3-1. Production of Recombinant Expression Vector and Recombinant Microorganism Comprising Tagatose-Bisphosphate Aldolase Gene

To identify a novel heat-resistant fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase, genetic information of tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase derived from *Kosmotoga olearia*, *Rhodothermus marinus*, *Rhodothermus profundus*, and *Limnochorda pilosa* which are thermophilic microorganisms was acquired to produce recombinant vectors expressible in *Escherichia coli* and recombinant microorganisms.

In detail, a nucleotide sequence of tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase was selected from nucleotide sequences of *Kosmotoga olearia* or *Rhodothermus marinus* ATCC 43812, *Rhodothermus profundus* DSM 22212, and *Limnochorda pilosa* DSM 28787, which are registered in Genbank and KEGG (Kyoto Encyclopedia of Genes and Genomes), and based on information of amino acid sequences (SEQ ID NOS: 1, 3, 5 and 7) and nucleotide sequences (SEQ ID NOS: 2, 4, 6 and 8) of the four microorganisms, pBT7-C-His-CJ_KO_

F6P4E, pBT7-C-His-CJ_RM_F6P4E, pBT7-C-His-CJ_LP_F6P4E, and pBT7-C-His-CJ_LP_F6P4E which are recombinant vectors comprising the nucleotide sequence of the enzyme and being expressible in *Escherichia coli* were produced (Bioneer Corp., Korea).

Each of the produced expression vectors was transformed into *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3) by heat shock transformation (Sambrook and Russell: Molecular cloning, 2001) to produce recombinant microorganisms, and used after being frozen and stored in 50% glycerol. The recombinant microorganisms were designated as *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_KO_F6P4E, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_RM_F6P4E, *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_LP_F6P4E, and *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/CJ_LP_F6P4E, respectively and deposited at the Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms (KCCM) which is an International Depository Authority under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty with Accession Nos. KCCM11999P (date of deposit: Mar. 24, 2017), KCCM12096P (date of deposit: Aug. 11, 2017), KCCM12097P (date of deposit: Aug. 11, 2017), and KCCM12095P (date of deposit: Aug. 11, 2017), respectively.

To identify an additional novel heat-resistant fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase, a nucleotide sequence expected as the enzyme was selected from a nucleotide sequence of a thermophilic *Thermanaerothermoxylon daxensis*, which is registered in Genbank, and based on information of an amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO: 9) and a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO: 10) of the microorganism, the gene was inserted into pBT7-C-His (Bioneer Corp.) which is a recombinant vector comprising the nucleotide sequence of the enzyme and being expressible in *Escherichia coli* to produce a recombinant expression vector designated as pBT7-C-His-CJ_td1. The expression vector was transformed into an *Escherichia coli* BL21 (DE3) strain by a common transformation method [see Sambrook et al. 1989] to produce a transformant (transformed microorganism) designated as *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pBT7-C-His-CJ_td1, and this transformant was deposited at the Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms (KCCM) under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty on Mar. 20, 2017 with Accession No. KCCM11995P (*Escherichia coli* BL21 (DE3)/pBT7-C-His-CJ_td1).

3-2. Production of Recombinant Tagatose-Bisphosphate Aldolase Enzyme

To produce recombinant enzymes, CJ_KO_F6P4E, CJ_RM_F6P4E, CJ_LP_F6P4E, CJ_LP_F6P4E, and CJ_TD1_F6P4E from the produced recombinant microorganisms, each of the recombinant microorganisms was seeded in a culture tube containing 5 ml of an LB liquid medium with ampicillin antibiotic, and then seed culture was performed in a shaking incubator at 37° C. until absorbance at 600 nm reached 2.0. Each of the cultures obtained by the seed culture was seeded in a culture flask containing an LB liquid medium, and then main culture was performed. When absorbance at 600 nm reached 2.0, 1 mM IPTG (isopropyl β -D-1-thiogalactopyranoside) was added to induce expression and production of the recombinant enzyme. The seed culture and the main culture were performed under conditions of 180 rpm and 37° C. Each culture of the main culture was centrifuged at 8,000×g and 4° C. for 20 minutes to recover cells. The recovered cells were washed with 25 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.0) buffer twice and suspended in the same buffer, followed by cell disruption using a sonicator. Each cell lysate was centrifuged at 13,000×g and 4° C. for 20 minutes to take only a supernatant. The supernatant was purified using His-tag affinity

chromatography, and 10 column volumes of 50 mM NaH₂PO₄ (pH 8.0) buffer containing 20 mM imidazole and 300 mM NaCl was applied to remove non-specifically bound proteins. Next, 50 mM Na₂HPO₄ (pH 8.0) buffer containing 250 mM imidazole and 300 mM NaCl was further applied to perform elution and purification. Dialysis was performed using 25 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.0) buffer to obtain CJ_KO_F6P4E, CJ_RM_F6P4E, CJ_RP_F6P4E, CJ_LP_F6P4E, and CJ_TD1_F6P4E which are purified enzymes for analysis of enzyme characterization.

3-3. Analysis of Fructose-6-Phosphate-4-Epimerase Activity of Recombinant Tagatose-Bisphosphate Aldolase Enzyme

The fructose-6-phosphate-4-epimerase activities of the recombinant tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase enzymes obtained in Example 3-2 were analyzed. In detail, 1% by weight of fructose-6-phosphate as a substrate was suspended in 25 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.0) buffer, and each 1 unit/ml of the purified CJ_KO_F6P4E, CJ_RM_F6P4E, CJ_RP_F6P4E, CJ_LP_F6P4E, and CJ_TD1_F6P4E was added thereto, and allowed to react at 60° C. for 1 hour. To remove phosphate, 1 unit/ml of phosphatase (Alkaline phosphatase of NEB, Calf Intestinal) was added and allowed to react at 37° C. for 1 hour. Reaction products were analyzed by HPLC, and HPLC analysis was performed under conditions of using a SP0810 (Shodex) column and applying a mobile phase (water) at 80° C. and a flow rate of 1 ml/min, and resultants were analyzed using a refractive index detector.

As a result, it was confirmed that all of CJ_KO_F6P4E, CJ_RM_F6P4E, CJ_RP_F6P4E, and CJ_LP_F6P4E have the activity to convert fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate (FIGS. 1A to 1D).

It was also confirmed that CJ_TD1_F6P4E has activity to convert fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate (FIG. 5).

Example 4: Identification of tagatose-6-phosphate Phosphatase (D-tagatose-6-phosphate Phosphatase)

To perform production of tagatose from fructose-6-phosphate by simultaneous complex enzyme reactions in the tagatose production pathway of the present disclosure, tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase which is able to exert the simultaneous enzyme reaction together with tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase was identified.

4-1. Production of Recombinant Expression Vector and Recombinant Microorganism Comprising Tagatose-6-Phosphate Phosphatase Gene

A nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO: 12, hereinafter, referred to as t4) and an amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO: 11) expected as the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase were selected from a nucleotide sequence of *Thermotoga maritima*, which is registered in Genbank, and based on the selected nucleotide sequence, a forward primer (SEQ ID NO: 33) and a reverse primer (SEQ. ID NO: 34) were designed and synthesized. Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) was performed using the primers and genomic DNA of *Thermotoga maritima* as a template to amplify t4 gene. The amplified gene was inserted into pET21a (Novagen) which is a plasmid vector for expression in *Escherichia coli* using restriction enzymes NdeI and XhoI, thereby producing a recombinant expression vector which was then designated as pET21a-CJ_t4. The produced expression vector was transformed into *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3) strain by heat shock transformation (Sambrook and Russell: Molecular cloning, 2001) to produce a recombinant microorganism, which was then used after being frozen and stored in 50%

glycerol. The recombinant microorganism was designated as *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_t4, and deposited at the Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms (KCCM) which is an International Depository Authority under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty on Mar. 20, 2017 with Accession No. KCCM11994P.

4-2. Production of Recombinant Tagatose-6-Phosphate Phosphatase

Escherichia coli BL21(DE3)/pET21a-CJ_t4 was seeded in a culture tube containing 5 ml of LB liquid medium and then seed culture was performed in a shaking incubator at 37° C. until absorbance at 600 nm reached 2.0. The culture obtained by the seed culture was seeded in a culture flask containing an L3 liquid medium, and then main culture was performed. When absorbance at 600 nm reached 2.0, 1 mM IPTG was added to induce expression and production of the recombinant enzymes. The seed culture and the main culture were performed at a shaking speed of 180 rpm and 37° C. The culture obtained by the main culture was centrifuged at 8,000×g and 4° C. for 20 minutes to recover cells. The recovered cells were washed with 50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0) buffer twice and suspended in the same buffer, followed by cell disruption using a sonicator. A cell lysate was centrifuged at 13,000×g and 4° C. for 20 minutes to obtain only a supernatant. The enzyme was purified therefrom using His-tag affinity chromatography. The purified enzyme was used after dialysis against 50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0) buffer, and the purified recombinant enzyme was designated as CJ_T4.

4-3. Analysis of Tagatose-6-Phosphate Phosphatase Activity of CJ_T4

To analyze activity of CJ_T4, tagatose-6-phosphate was suspended in 50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.5) buffer, and 0.1 unit/ml of the purified CJ_T4 and 10 mM MgCl₂ were added thereto and allowed to react at 70° C. for 10 minutes. Then, the reaction product was analyzed by HPLC. HPLC analysis was performed under conditions of using a HPX-37H (Bio-Rad) column and applying a mobile phase (water) at 60° C. and a flow rate of 0.6 ml/min, and tagatose and tagatose-6-phosphate were analyzed using a refractive index detector.

As a result, tagatose was produced in the reaction product. As a result of performing the same reaction after adding CJ_T4 to phosphate and tagatose reactants, no tagatose was produced, indicating that CJ_T4 has irreversible tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase activity (FIG. 3).

Example 5: Production of Tagatose by Simultaneous Complex Enzyme Reactions

1% (w/v) fructose-6-phosphate suspended in 25 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.0) buffer was added to a mixed enzyme solution of 1 unit/ml of CJ_KO_F6P4E or CJ_RP_F6P4E and 1 unit/ml of CJ_t4 (Accession No. KCCM11994P), and allowed to react at 60° C. for 1 hour, and then HPLC was performed to analyze the reaction product. HPLC analysis was performed under conditions of using a SP0810 (Shodex) column and applying a mobile phase (water) at 80° C. and a flow rate of 1 ml/min, and tagatose was detected using a refractive index detector.

As a result, tagatose production was observed, indicating that tagatose may be produced from fructose-6-phosphate by simultaneous complex enzyme reactions of tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase and tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase (FIGS. 2A and 2B).

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Example 6: Production of Tagatose from Maltodextrin by Simultaneous Complex Enzyme Reactions

To analyze the activity to produce tagatose from malto-
dextrin by complex enzymes, 5% (w/v) maltodextrin was
added to a reaction solution containing 1 unit/ml of CT1, 1
unit/ml of CT2, 1 unit/ml of TN1, 1 unit/ml of T4, 1 unit/ml
of TD1, 20 mM to 50 mM of sodium phosphate (pH 7.0),
and allowed to react at 60° C. for 1 hour, and then HPLC was
performed to analyze the reaction product. HPLC analysis
was performed under conditions of using a SP0810 (Shodex)
column and applying a mobile phase (water) at 80° C. and
a flow rate of 0.6 ml/min, and tagatose was detected using
a refractive index detector.

As a result, it was confirmed that tagatose may be
produced from maltodextrin by the complex enzyme reac-
tions of added CT1, CT2, TN1, T4, and TD1 (FIG. 6).

Effect of the Invention

A method of producing tagatose according to the present
disclosure is economical because of using glucose or starch
as a raw material, accumulates no phosphate to achieve a
high conversion rate, and comprises a tagatose-6-phosphate
phosphatase reaction which is an irreversible reaction path-
way, thereby remarkably increasing a conversion rate into
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Further, tagatose may be produced from glucose or starch
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Phe Phe Ala Ala Thr Leu Asn Gln Val Asp Leu Asp Gly Gly Tyr Thr
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Gly Trp Thr Pro Ala Thr Leu Ala Arg Phe Val Ala Asp Glu Arg Ile
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Pro Trp Lys Lys Asp Trp His Val Arg Asn Arg Leu Pro Tyr Glu Ala
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165        170        175
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180        185        190
Ala Tyr Glu Val Gly Thr Glu Glu Val Gly Gly Gly Leu Gln Ala Glu
195        200        205
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210        215        220
Glu Gly Leu Pro Arg Pro Val Phe Val Val Gly Asp Ile Gly Thr Arg
225        230        235        240
    
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 275 280 285
 Val Gly Pro Gly Leu Ala Ala Ile Glu Phe Glu Ala Leu Glu Ala Leu
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 Val Ala Glu Ala His Arg Arg Lys Leu Pro Val Thr Phe Asp Arg Thr
 305 310 315 320
 Ile Arg Gln Ala Val Ile Glu Ser Gly Arg Trp Gln Lys Trp Leu Arg
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 Pro Glu Glu Lys Gly Arg Pro Phe Glu Ala Leu Pro Pro Glu Arg Gln
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 Arg Trp Leu Val Ala Thr Gly Ser Arg Tyr Val Trp Thr His Pro Ala
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 Val Arg Gln Ala Arg His Gln Leu Tyr Gln Val Leu Ala Pro Trp Leu
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 Asp Ala Asp Ala Phe Val Arg Ala Arg Ile Lys Ala Arg Leu Met Asp
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 Phe Leu Pro Asn
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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Amino acid sequences of CJ_LP_F6P4E

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          20          25          30
Val Leu Arg Ala Ala Leu Lys Gln Ala Val Glu Asp Gly Ser Pro Ala
          35          40          45
Leu Ile Glu Ala Thr Ser Asn Gln Val Asn Gln Phe Gly Gly Tyr Thr
          50          55          60
Gly Met Glu Pro Pro Ala Phe Val Glu Phe Val Leu Gly Leu Ala Arg
65          70          75          80
Glu Met Gly Leu Pro Pro Glu Arg Leu Ile Leu Gly Gly Asp His Leu
          85          90          95
Gly Pro Asn Pro Trp Gln Arg Leu Ala Ala Glu Glu Ala Met Arg His
          100          105          110
Ala Cys Asp Leu Val Glu Ala Phe Val Ala Cys Gly Phe Thr Lys Ile
          115          120          125
His Leu Asp Ala Ser Met Pro Leu Gly Glu Glu Arg Ala Gly Gly Ala
          130          135          140
Leu Ser Lys Arg Val Val Ala Glu Arg Thr Ala Gln Leu Cys Glu Ala
          145          150          155          160
Ala Glu Ala Ala Phe Arg Lys Arg Ser Gln Ala Glu Gly Ala Ser Ala
          165          170          175
Pro Pro Leu Tyr Val Ile Gly Ser Asp Val Pro Pro Pro Gly Gly Glu
          180          185          190
Thr Ser Gly Ser Gln Gly Pro Lys Val Thr Thr Pro Glu Glu Phe Glu
          195          200          205
Glu Thr Val Ala Leu Thr Arg Ala Thr Phe His Asp Arg Gly Leu Asp
          210          215          220
Asp Ala Trp Gly Arg Val Ile Ala Val Val Val Gln Pro Gly Val Asp
          225          230          235          240
Phe Gly Glu Trp Gln Val His Pro Tyr Asp Arg Ala Ala Ala Ala Ser
          245          250          255
Leu Thr Arg Ala Leu Thr Gln His Pro Gly Leu Ala Phe Glu Gly His
          260          265          270
Ser Thr Asp Tyr Gln Thr Pro Gly Arg Leu Arg Gln Met Ala Glu Asp
          275          280          285
Gly Ile Ala Ile Leu Lys Val Gly Pro Ala Leu Thr Phe Ala Lys Arg
          290          295          300

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Glu Ala Leu Phe Ala Leu Asn Ala Leu Glu Ser Glu Val Leu Gly Thr
 305 310 315 320

Asp Gly Arg Ala Arg Arg Ser Asn Val Glu Ala Ala Leu Glu Glu Ala
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Met Leu Ala Asp Pro Arg His Trp Ser Ala Tyr Tyr Ser Gly Asp Glu
 340 345 350

His Glu Leu Arg Leu Lys Arg Lys Tyr Gly Leu Ser Asp Arg Cys Arg
 355 360 365

Tyr Tyr Trp Pro Val Pro Ser Val Gln Glu Ala Val Gln Arg Leu Leu
 370 375 380

Gly Asn Leu Arg Glu Ala Gly Ile Pro Leu Pro Leu Leu Ser Gln Phe
 385 390 395 400

Leu Pro Arg Gln Tyr Glu Arg Val Arg Glu Gly Val Leu Arg Asn Asp
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<210> SEQ ID NO 8
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 <212> TYPE: DNA
 <213> ORGANISM: Artificial Sequence
 <220> FEATURE:
 <223> OTHER INFORMATION: Nucleic acid sequence of CJ_LP_F6P4E

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<210> SEQ ID NO 9
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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Fructose-6-phosphate C4 epimerase derived from
Thermanaerothrix daxensis (TD1)
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<400> SEQUENCE: 9
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 20 25 30
Ala Ala Leu Arg Asn Gly Met Met Thr His Thr Pro Val Leu Ile Glu
 35 40 45
Ala Thr Cys Asn Gln Val Asn Gln Tyr Gly Gly Tyr Thr Gly Met Thr
 50 55 60
Pro Ala Asp Phe Val Arg Tyr Val Glu Asn Ile Ala Ala Arg Val Gly
 65 70 75 80
Ser Pro Arg Glu Asn Leu Leu Leu Gly Gly Asp His Leu Gly Pro Leu
 85 90 95
Val Trp Ala His Glu Pro Ala Glu Ser Ala Met Glu Lys Ala Arg Ala
 100 105 110
Leu Val Lys Ala Tyr Val Glu Ala Gly Phe Arg Lys Ile His Leu Asp
 115 120 125
Cys Ser Met Pro Cys Ala Asp Asp Arg Asp Phe Ser Pro Lys Val Ile
 130 135 140
Ala Glu Arg Ala Ala Glu Leu Ala Gln Val Ala Glu Ser Thr Cys Asp
 145 150 155 160
Val Met Gly Leu Pro Leu Pro Asn Tyr Val Ile Gly Thr Glu Val Pro
 165 170 175
Pro Ala Gly Gly Ala Lys Ala Glu Ala Glu Thr Leu Arg Val Thr Arg
 180 185 190
Pro Glu Asp Ala Ala Glu Thr Ile Ala Leu Thr Arg Ala Ala Phe Phe
 195 200 205
Lys Arg Gly Leu Glu Ser Ala Trp Glu Arg Val Val Ala Leu Val Val
 210 215 220
Gln Pro Gly Val Glu Phe Gly Asp His Gln Ile His Val Tyr Arg Arg
 225 230 235 240
Glu Glu Ala Gln Ala Leu Ser Arg Phe Ile Glu Ser Gln Pro Gly Leu
 245 250 255
Val Tyr Glu Ala His Ser Thr Asp Tyr Gln Pro Arg Asp Ala Leu Arg
 260 265 270
Ala Leu Val Glu Asp His Phe Ala Ile Leu Lys Val Gly Pro Ala Leu
 275 280 285
Thr Phe Ala Phe Arg Glu Ala Val Phe Ala Leu Ala Ser Ile Glu Asp
 290 295 300
Trp Val Cys Asp Ser Pro Ser Arg Ile Leu Glu Val Leu Glu Thr Thr
 305 310 315 320
Met Leu Ala Asn Pro Val Tyr Trp Gln Lys Tyr Tyr Leu Gly Asp Glu
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<400> SEQUENCE: 11

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 35 40 45
 Lys Lys Ala Gln Glu Met Ile Val Glu Glu Ile Arg Lys Val Phe Pro
 50 55 60
 Asp Glu Asn Ile Ile Ala Glu Glu Gly Ile Ser Glu Asn Gly Lys Lys
 65 70 75 80
 Leu Trp Ile Ile Asp Pro Ile Asp Gly Thr Ile Asn Phe Val His Gly
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 Leu Pro Asn Phe Ser Ile Ser Ile Ala Tyr Val Glu Asn Gly Glu Val
 100 105 110
 Lys Met Gly Val Val His Ala Pro Ala Leu Asn Glu Thr Leu Tyr Ala
 115 120 125
 Glu Glu Asn Gly Gly Ala Phe Leu Asn Gly Glu Arg Ile Arg Val Ser
 130 135 140
 Gly Asn Thr Ser Leu Glu Glu Cys Val Gly Ser Thr Gly Ser Tyr Val
 145 150 155 160
 Asp Phe Thr Gly Lys Phe Ile Glu Lys Met Glu Lys Lys Thr Arg Arg
 165 170 175
 Val Arg Ile Leu Gly Ser Ala Ala Leu Asn Ala Cys Tyr Val Gly Ala
 180 185 190
 Gly Arg Val Asp Phe Phe Val Thr Trp Arg Ile Asn Pro Trp Asp Ile
 195 200 205
 Ala Ala Gly Leu Ile Val Val Lys Glu Ala Gly Gly Thr Val Thr Asp
 210 215 220
 Phe Ala Gly Lys Glu Ala Asn Val Phe Ser Lys Asn Phe Val Phe Ser
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 Asn Gly Leu Val His Glu Glu Val Leu Glu Val Val Asn Glu Val Leu
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<210> SEQ ID NO 12

<211> LENGTH: 792

<212> TYPE: DNA

<213> ORGANISM: Artificial Sequence

<220> FEATURE:

<223> OTHER INFORMATION: DNA sequence of tagatose-6-phosphate
 phosphatase derived from Thermotoga maritima (T4)

<400> SEQUENCE: 12

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gaggggaagt ga 792
    
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<210> SEQ ID NO 13
<211> LENGTH: 451
<212> TYPE: PRT
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<220> FEATURE:
<223> OTHER INFORMATION: glucose-6-phosphate isomerase derived from
Thermotoga maritima(TN1)
    
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<400> SEQUENCE: 13

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20          25          30
Lys Val Ile Glu Ala Ile Lys Asn Phe Thr Glu Asn Thr Pro Asp Phe
35          40          45
Ala Arg Leu Asp Arg Lys Trp Ile Asp Ser Val Lys Glu Leu Glu Glu
50          55          60
Trp Val Val Asn Phe Asp Thr Val Val Val Leu Gly Ile Gly Gly Ser
65          70          75          80
Gly Leu Gly Asn Leu Ala Leu His Tyr Ser Leu Arg Pro Leu Asn Trp
85          90          95
Asn Glu Met Ser Arg Glu Glu Arg Asn Gly Tyr Ala Arg Val Phe Val
100         105        110
Val Asp Asn Val Asp Pro Asp Leu Met Ala Ser Val Leu Asp Arg Ile
115        120        125
Asp Leu Lys Thr Thr Leu Phe Asn Val Ile Ser Lys Ser Gly Ser Thr
130        135        140        145
Ala Glu Val Met Ala Asn Tyr Ser Ile Ala Arg Gly Ile Leu Glu Ala
145        150        155        160
Asn Gly Leu Asp Pro Lys Glu His Ile Leu Ile Thr Thr Asp Pro Glu
165        170        175
Lys Gly Phe Leu Arg Lys Val Val Lys Glu Glu Gly Phe Arg Ser Leu
180        185        190
Glu Val Pro Pro Gly Val Gly Gly Arg Phe Ser Val Leu Thr Pro Val
195        200        205
Gly Leu Phe Ser Ala Met Ala Glu Gly Ile Asp Ile Glu Glu Leu His
210        215        220
Asp Gly Ala Arg Asp Ala Phe Glu Arg Cys Lys Lys Glu Asp Leu Phe
225        230        235        240
Glu Asn Pro Ala Ala Met Ile Ala Leu Thr His Tyr Leu Tyr Leu Lys
245        250        255
Arg Gly Lys Ser Ile Ser Val Met Met Ala Tyr Ser Asn Arg Met Thr
260        265        270
Tyr Leu Val Asp Trp Tyr Arg Gln Leu Trp Ala Glu Ser Leu Gly Lys
275        280        285
    
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Arg Tyr Asn Leu Lys Gly Glu Glu Val Phe Thr Gly Gln Thr Pro Val
 290 295 300

Lys Ala Ile Gly Ala Thr Asp Gln His Ser Gln Ile Gln Leu Tyr Asn
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 325 330 335

Asp Arg Glu Ile Ile Ile Pro Asp Thr Gly Arg Glu Glu Leu Lys Tyr
 340 345 350

Leu Ala Arg Lys Arg Leu Ser Glu Leu Leu Leu Ala Glu Gln Thr Gly
 355 360 365

Thr Glu Glu Ala Leu Arg Lys Asn Asp Arg Pro Asn Met Lys Val Ile
 370 375 380

Phe Asp Arg Leu Thr Ser Tyr Asn Val Gly Gln Phe Phe Ala Tyr Tyr
 385 390 395 400

Glu Ala Ala Thr Ala Phe Met Gly Tyr Leu Leu Glu Ile Asn Pro Phe
 405 410 415

Asp Gln Pro Gly Val Glu Leu Gly Lys Lys Ile Thr Phe Ala Leu Met
 420 425 430

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Ile Ile Glu
 450

<210> SEQ ID NO 14
 <211> LENGTH: 1356
 <212> TYPE: DNA
 <213> ORGANISM: Artificial Sequence
 <220> FEATURE:
 <223> OTHER INFORMATION: DNA sequence of glucose-6-phosphate isomerase
 derived from *Thermotoga maritima* (TN1)

<400> SEQUENCE: 14

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<211> LENGTH: 471
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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Phosphoglucomutase derived from Thermotoga
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<400> SEQUENCE: 15

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Trp Met Lys Gln Arg Lys Leu Lys Ser Val Val Ile Ala Tyr Asp Thr
35          40          45
Arg Lys Asn Ser Arg Glu Phe Ala Glu Leu Ala Gly Arg Val Phe Ala
50          55          60
Gly Glu Gly Ile Glu Ala Tyr Val Phe Pro Glu Pro Thr Pro Thr Pro
65          70          75          80
Val Leu Ser Phe Ala Val Arg His Met Lys Ala Gly Ala Gly Val Val
85          90          95
Ile Thr Ala Ser His Asn Pro Pro Glu Tyr Asn Gly Tyr Lys Val Tyr
100         105        110
Thr Trp Asp Gly Val Gln Ala Ile Pro Glu Tyr Thr Asp Glu Ile Thr
115        120        125
Glu Ile Tyr Lys Lys Val Asp Ile Ser Gly Val Arg Glu Gly Gly Phe
130        135        140
Lys His Val Pro Ser Glu Val Lys Glu Ser Tyr Ile Glu Lys Val Val
145        150        155        160
Glu Ile Val Ser Asn Leu Pro Arg Arg Thr Asp Leu Asp Val Ala Tyr
165        170        175
Ser Pro Leu His Gly Thr Gly Ala Asn Tyr Val Pro Glu Val Leu Arg
180        185        190
Arg Leu Gly Phe Lys Val Arg Pro Val Glu Glu Gln Met Lys Pro Asp
195        200        205
Pro Asn Phe Ser Thr Val Pro Thr Pro Asn Pro Glu Glu Asp Glu Ala
210        215        220
Leu Val Leu Leu Asn Lys Lys Glu Ala Thr Leu Gly Leu Ala Thr Asp
225        230        235        240
Pro Asp Cys Asp Arg Val Gly Val Val Tyr Arg Gly Arg Arg Leu Thr
245        250        255
Gly Asn Gln Val Gly Val Leu Leu Thr Asp Phe Leu Leu Glu His Val
260        265        270
Lys Val Glu Asn Pro Leu Val Ile Lys Thr Ile Val Thr Thr Asp Met
275        280        285
Val Arg Pro Ile Cys Glu Glu Arg Gly Ala Tyr Leu Glu Glu Thr Pro
290        295        300
    
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 325 330 335
 Ala Gly Asp His Ala Arg Asp Lys Asp Gly Val Val Gly Ser Val Leu
 340 345 350
 Ser Ala Ile Ala Phe Ser Asn Tyr Asp Pro Tyr Glu Lys Leu Glu Glu
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 Leu Tyr Arg Lys Tyr Gly Tyr Tyr Met Glu Lys Leu Ile Asn Phe Lys
 370 375 380
 Phe Glu Asp Val Ser Lys Ala Ile Glu Ile Tyr Asn Ser Leu Lys Glu
 385 390 395 400
 Tyr Asp Gly Ile Ile Asp Tyr Ser Arg Gly Tyr Lys Gly Ile Ile Pro
 405 410 415
 Asn Glu Thr Ile Ala Phe Val Phe Glu Lys Ser Arg Ile Phe Val Arg
 420 425 430
 Pro Ser Gly Thr Glu Pro Lys Leu Lys Val Tyr Ile His Val Arg Gly
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<210> SEQ ID NO 16
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 <220> FEATURE:
 <223> OTHER INFORMATION: DNA sequence of phosphoglucomutase derived from
 Thermotoga neapolitana (CT2)

<400> SEQUENCE: 16

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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Polyphosphate-dependent glucokinase CJ dg ppgk
    
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<400> SEQUENCE: 17

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Arg His Arg Ile Pro Thr Pro Glu Gly Ala His Pro Asp Ala Val Lys
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Gly Ile Thr Phe Pro Gly Ile Val Gln His Gly His Thr Leu Ser Ala
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Ala Asn Val Asp Lys Ala Trp Ile Gly Leu Asp Ala Asp Thr Leu Phe
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Thr Glu Ala Thr Gly Arg Asp Val Thr Val Ile Asn Asp Ala Asp Ala
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Ala Gly Leu Ala Glu Ala Arg Phe Gly Ala Gly Ala Gly Val Pro Gly
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Lys Gly Asp Lys His Ala Glu Thr Trp Ala Ser Asp Arg Ala Arg Glu
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Gln Gly Asp Leu Asn Trp Lys Gln Trp Ala Lys Arg Val Ser Arg Tyr
195                               200                               205
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210                               215                               220
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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Polyphosphate-dependent glucokinase CJ at ppgk

<400> SEQUENCE: 19

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Phe Ser Glu Lys Cys Gly Cys Pro Val Ser Val Leu Asn Asp Ala Asp
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Ala Ala Gly Leu Ala Glu Met Ile Phe Gly Ala Gly Lys Gly Gln Lys
 115 120 125
Gly Val Val Leu Met Ile Thr Ile Gly Thr Gly Ile Gly Thr Ala Leu
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Phe Thr Asp Gly Ile Leu Val Pro Asn Thr Glu Leu Gly His Ile Glu
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Ile Arg Gly Lys Asp Ala Glu Gln Arg Ser Ser Glu Ala Ala Arg Gln
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Arg Lys Asp Trp Thr Trp Gln Gln Trp Ala Lys Arg Leu Asn Glu His

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Gly Gly Ala	Val Lys Asn	His Glu Lys
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 <212> TYPE: PRT
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 <223> OTHER INFORMATION: a-glucanphosphorylase derived from Thermotoga neapolitana (CT1)

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20	25	30	30	30
Lys Ile Asp	Pro Glu Gly	Trp Glu Glu	His Arg Asn	Pro Val Lys
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Leu Lys Glu	Val Ser Asp	Glu Arg Leu	Glu Glu Leu	Ser Lys Asp
50	55	60	60	60
Asp Phe Ile	Ser Leu Tyr	Glu Leu Thr	Ile Glu Arg	Phe Lys Asp
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 370 375 380
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 385 390 395 400
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 Val Trp Arg Asp His Thr Asp Leu Glu Gly Ile Trp Tyr Gly Val Asp
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Arg Leu Met Val Ser Gly Val Asp Val Trp Leu Asn Asn Pro Arg Arg
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Pro Met Glu Ala Ser Gly Thr Ser Gly Met Lys Ala Ala Ala Asn Gly
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Val Leu Asn Ala Ser Val Tyr Asp Gly Trp Trp Val Glu Gly Tyr Asn
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Asp Leu Ser Pro Asp Asp Val Leu Val Glu Leu Leu Ile Gly Arg Gly
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Glu Ser Met Glu Asp Leu Glu Ile Trp Lys Val Ile Gln Ile Arg Lys
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His Arg Arg Glu Gly Asp Leu Phe Ile Tyr Ser Tyr Val Asn Gly Ala
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Leu Gly His Leu Gly Ser Pro Gly Trp Phe Tyr Ala Val Arg Val Leu
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 <212> TYPE: DNA
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<210> SEQ ID NO 23

<211> LENGTH: 441

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 <223> OTHER INFORMATION: 4-a-glucanotransferase derived from *Thermotoga*
maritima (TN2)

<400> SEQUENCE: 23

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35           40           45

Ile Ser Phe His Gly Tyr Asp Val Val Asp Phe Tyr Ser Phe Lys Ala
50           55           60

Glu Tyr Gly Asp Glu Lys Asp Phe Arg Glu Met Ile Glu Ala Phe His
65           70           75           80

Asp Asn Gly Ile Lys Val Val Leu Asp Leu Pro Ile His His Thr Gly
85           90           95

Phe Leu His Val Trp Phe Gln Lys Ala Leu Lys Gly Asp Pro His Tyr
100          105          110

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Asp Thr Leu Glu Gln Asn Val Arg Phe Trp Arg Tyr Phe Leu Ser Asp
195          200          205

Ile Glu Gly Ile Phe Leu Ala Glu Ile Trp Ala Glu Ser Lys Val Val
210          215          220

Asp Glu His Gly Arg Ile Phe Gly Tyr Met Leu Asn Phe Asp Thr Ser
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245          250          255

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260          265          270

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<220> FEATURE:

<223> OTHER INFORMATION: DNA sequence of 4-a-glucanotransferase derived from *Thermotoga maritima* (TN2)

<400> SEQUENCE: 24

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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Forward primer DNA sequence of CT1

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What is claimed is:

1. A method of producing tagatose, comprising:

- a) producing tagatose-6-phosphate by contacting fructose-6-phosphate with tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, a microorganism expressing the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, or a culture of the microorganism; and
- b) producing tagatose by converting tagatose-6-phosphate produced in Step a) into tagatose.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the Step b) further comprises contacting the tagatose-6-phosphate produced in Step a) with tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, a microorganism expressing the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, or a culture of the microorganism.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein prior to producing the tagatose-6-phosphate, the method further comprises producing fructose-6-phosphate by converting glucose-6-phosphate into fructose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose-6-phosphate with glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase, a microorganism expressing the glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase, or a culture of the microorganism.

4. The method of claim 3, wherein prior to producing the fructose-6-phosphate, the method further comprising comprises producing glucose-6-phosphate by converting glucose-1-phosphate into glucose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose-1-phosphate with phosphoglucomutase, a microorganism expressing the phosphoglucomutase, or a culture of the microorganism.

5. The method of claim 4, wherein prior to producing the glucose-6-phosphate, the method further comprises producing glucose-1-phosphate by converting starch, maltodextrin, or sucrose into glucose-1-phosphate by contacting starch, maltodextrin, sucrose, or a combination thereof with (i) α -glucan phosphorylase, starch phosphorylase, maltodextrin phosphorylase, or sucrose phosphorylase; (ii) a microorganism expressing the α -glucan phosphorylase, starch phosphorylase, maltodextrin phosphorylase, or sucrose phosphorylase; or (iii) a culture of the microorganism.

6. The method of claim 3, wherein prior to producing the fructose-6-phosphate, the method further comprises producing glucose-6-phosphate by converting glucose into glucose-6-phosphate by contacting glucose with glucokinase, a microorganism expressing the glucokinase, or a culture of the microorganism.

7. The method of claim 6, wherein prior to producing the glucose-6-phosphate, the method further comprises producing glucose by converting starch, maltodextrin or sucrose into glucose by contacting starch, maltodextrin, sucrose, or a combination thereof with α -amylase, pullulanase, glucoamylase, sucrase, or isoamylase; a microorganism expressing the α -amylase, pullulanase, glucoamylase, sucrase, or isoamylase; or a culture of the microorganism.

8. The method of claim 1, wherein the contacting is performed at pH 5.0 to 9.0, 40° C. to 80° C., and/or for 0.5 hours to 24 hours.

9. The method of claim 1, wherein the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase consists of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1, 3, 5, or 7.

10. A method of producing tagatose, comprising: contacting (a) starch, maltodextrin, sucrose, or a combination thereof with (b) (i) tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase, (ii) tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase, (iii) glucose-6-phosphate-isomerase, (iv) phosphoglucomutase or glucokinase, (v) phosphorylase, and (vi) one or more of α -amylase, pullulanase, isoamylase, glucoamylase, or sucrase; and (c) phosphate,

wherein the tagatose-bisphosphate aldolase has activity to convert fructose-6-phosphate into tagatose-6-phosphate.

11. The method of claim 2, wherein the tagatose-6-phosphate phosphatase consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11.

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